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Current bills of health indicate no material change in the condition of Chilean ports, plague and smallpox still existing in some of them,

but no definite statistics available.

The situation in Guayaquil is very discouraging. From March 4 to March 22, inclusive, there were 13 deaths from smallpox and 36 from yellow fever. Local authorities give the mortality of the present epidemic at about 20 per cent. At the rate given for the nineteen days an estimate for the month of March would be about 300 cases, with very nearly 60 deaths. The actual number of deaths will probably be a little under this figure and the number of cases perhaps a little more than 300, for the reason that many mild cases are probably unrecognized. As there has never been a total of more than 26 cases in the lazaretto at any one time, the indications are that perhaps two-thirds of the cases are not removed to the lazaretto.

Inquiry among practicing physicians leads to the belief that this statement is not exaggerated. Many deaths are also inscribed in the records without specifying the nature of the fever, and I have not considered these in the estimate given. Probably not half a dozen of the patients treated outside of the lazaretto have been protected from mosquitoes. I have visited a number of patients who were suffering from typical attacks of yellow fever, and in not one of them was any attempt made to screen the rooms of these patients.

GUATEMALA.

Report from Livingston, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Wailes reports as follows: Week ended March 27, 1906. Present officially estimated population, 3,500; 1 death; prevailing diseases, malarial; general sanitary condition of this port and surrounding country during the week, good; some malarial fever prevailing among garrison at Puerto Barrios.

Bills of health were issued to the following-named vessels:

Date.	Vessel.	Destination.	Number of crew.	Number of passengers from this port.	Number of passengers in transit.	Pieces of baggage disinfected
Mar. 22 23 28	Origen	Mobile New Orleansdo	23			***

HAWAII.

Report from Honolulu—Smallpox on steamship Siberia en route from Yokokama.

Chief Quarantine Officer Cofer reports, March 23, as follows: The steamship *Siberia*, from ports in the Orient, arrived March 22, having landed a case of smallpox occurring in the steerage at Yokohoma

on March 14, and having buried at sea another case on March 21. The vessel was placed in quarantine and the 386 steerage passengers